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### **NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY** - August 2, 2007

United States Attorney Karen P. Hewitt announced today that a federal grand jury sitting in San Diego handed up an indictment charging Anthony Andrew Sibley with two counts of possessing marijuana with the intent to distribute (Counts 1 & 2), one count of possessing an unregistered silencer (Count 3), one count of possessing a firearm with an obliterated serial number (Count 4), one count of possessing a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking offense (Count 5), and one count of possessing a firearm while under indictment (Count 6). The indictment further alleges that these alleged crimes took place on or about January 11, 2007 and on or about May 31, 2007.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Peter J. Mazza, who is prosecuting the case, with regard to Count 6 of the indictment, which charges the possession of a firearm while under indictment, the indictment alleges that Sibley had been charged in a separate case in the California Superior Court at the time he possessed a Colt .380 semi-automatic pistol. Sibley was arraigned on the indictment earlier today before

United States Magistrate Judge Anthony J. Battaglia. Sibley's next appearance is scheduled for September 7, 2007 at 11:00 a.m., before United States District Judge Jeffrey T. Miller.

United States Attorney Hewitt praised the efforts of the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives which jointly investigated this case.

## **DEFENDANT**

Anthony Andrew Sibley

**Case Number:** 07-CR-2061-JM

## **SUMMARY OF CHARGES**

Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1) - Distribution of Methamphetamine  
Maximum Penalties: 5 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

Title 26, United States Code, Section 5861(d) - Possession of Unregistered Firearm  
Maximum Penalties: 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(k) - Possession of a Firearm with Obliterated Serial Number  
Maximum Penalties: 5 years in prison and fine.

Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(c) - Possession of a Firearm in Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime  
Penalties: mandatory minimum 5 years in prison to run consecutive to other terms of imprisonment imposed, maximum life in prison.

Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(n) - Illegal Possession of a Firearm While Under Indictment  
Maximum Penalties: 5 years in prison and fine.

## **AGENCIES**

Drug Enforcement Administration  
Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

**An indictment itself is not evidence that the defendant committed the crimes charged. The defendant is presumed innocent until the Government meets its burden in court of proving guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.**